



Staff Report

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED RALSTON/101 INTERCHANGE LANDSCAPING PLANS

Honorable Mayor and Council Members:

Summary

The City Council has expressed concerns regarding the proposed landscaping that will be installed as part of the Ralston/101 Interchange Project. The plans will be posted in the Council Chambers for the March 27, 2007 Council Meeting.

Background

The Ralston/101 Interchange project included new landscaping for the four quadrants of the interchange. Council has expressed concerns about the landscaping. The concerns are related to the interchange being the major entry point into the City of Belmont and whether or not the proposed landscaping plans are robust enough to make an entry statement into the City.

Discussion

City staff and the City's Arborist have reviewed and commented on the plans. The Arborist made specific changes to the tree selection to insure varieties of trees that will grow well in the proposed locations.

The plans have been revised to reflect staff's and the arborist's comments. The plans will be posted in the Council Chambers for the March 27, 2007 Council meeting for your review.

General Plan/Vision Statement

No impact.

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact with this action.

Public Contact

The City Council meeting agenda was posted.

Recommendation

It is recommended that you review the landscape plans for the Ralston/101 Interchange and provide staff with any comments you may have after the meeting.

Alternatives

1. Take no action
2. Refer back to staff for further information

Attachment

A. None

Respectfully submitted,

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